

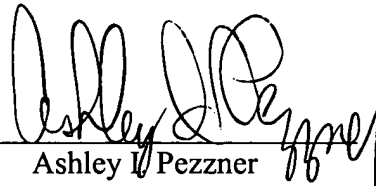
REMARKS

The applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment be entered prior to fee calculation and examination. The applicants have rewritten claims 1-15 in the proper U.S. form as newly added claims 16-34. No additional fee is required for the claims. The application contains 1 independent claim (claim 16) and 19 total claims, claims 16-34. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

A prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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FOOTNOTES